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SYLER CASE IS TRIED

Found Guilty in Less Than Two Minutes—Several Other Cases Are Heard.

The circuit court grind was on this week commencing Monday. Several cases were tried. The case for trial Wednesday and Thursday was that of the state against Clarence Syler who is charged with carnal knowledge of one Hallie Bartles. The defendant says she was 17 years and 7 days old when the alleged act was committed. According to the summing up of the evidence tended to show that alleged victim was a lively, pleasure loving girl who attended all the dances, shows etc. and was a favorite of the young men. She said she acceded to Syler's wishes when she had gone with him something over two months on his promise to marry her under some circumstances. Thursday morning the prosecution called the court's attention to the fact that Syler who is out on bond was not in the court room and that the prosecution had not seen him since the day before. The court ordered Syler brought into court room as he was expected to remain there during the trial. The jury retired to its room and brought in a verdict in less than two minutes. The jury declared the defendant guilty. The verdict was returned in the shortest time of any verdict ever known where the jury retired to its room.

The other orders and cases and cases were:

Rucker vs. Crismond, transferred to Salisbury.

Taylor vs Perkins, stricken from docket.

Gallatin vs Wabash, continued.

Bibler vs Wabash, dismissed.

State vs. J. Gooch Information for carrying concealed weapons.

Tudor vs. Wabash, dismissed.

Goldena Davis vs Neal Davis, divorce. Decree with custody of child to plaintiff with right of defendant to see child at reasonable times.

State vs Ferguson, continued.

State vs Pearson, continued at cost of defendant.

State vs Lovell, information for showing concealed weapons. Fined \$100 and execution stayed on payment of fine before next term of court.

State vs Nova Whiting, found guilty fined \$200 and sentenced to jail for four months.

State vs Ben Littler continued application for change of venue.

B. Hughes vs. C. H. Herring defendant files demurrer.

Ft. Madison Plow Co. vs H. E. Elliott, judgment on first count, \$225.06.

Charles Hore vs W. H. Patterson decree.

Cupp vs Perfater, attorney fee \$175 allowed A. W. Johnson and \$10 Gilbert Lamb as guardian.

Schnetzler vs Stevens, decree.

Williams vs Weiler, continued.

B. Young Co. vs. H. E. Elliott judgment for \$600.54.

Adams vs Bentley, alias summons issued to Howard Co.

Robbery Reported

It was reported at the sheriff's office Thursday morning that there had been a big robbery at Triplett a burglar had entered one of the stores there and secured \$500 worth of dry goods and other materials. The telephone message came here from Ash Dameron at Salisbury. A reporter called up Triplett but could get no line in the office, finally concluding that it was a false alarm.

"Working" the Teachers.

Superintendent Cross, of Macon, comes out in the Herald with some timely advice to young school teachers. He has declared war on the glib-tongued book agent who seeks out young teachers and unload onto them a lot of worthless printed matter represented to be "most necessary if you wish to succeed." Superintendent Cross suggests that you be very careful in purchasing books from agents. I think a great many mistakes are made in Macon County. Be able to say no and stay with it. These men often hunt out the young teacher and make you believe you will never be successful without their books." A certain class of book agents make a practice of working their books off on unsuspecting and inexperienced teachers according to Supt. Cross and he has started in to get rid of these people.—Chillicothe Tribune.

Turkeys Cheaper Here.

Turkeys in Kansas City are reported at 20 and 21 cents on the hoof. This makes them pretty expensive there in spite of the talk of turkeys being cheap this year. However, in the city, it is reported that the other comestibles that go to making a Thanksgiving dinner a success will be cheaper than a year ago. At Keytesville it is said that the turkey, dressed, will sell for about 17 or 18 cents as against 20 cents last year. This makes Mr. Turk sell for about 2 or 3 cents less than a year ago. The price for the dressed fowl in Kansas City will be about 25 cents.

Mrs. Drace Entertains.

Mrs. Marvin Drace entertained a number of friends at her home at Forty-two Saturday night last. There were thirty-eight guests and nine tables at use for the game. Refreshments of chicken salad, croquettes, cherry sweet pickles, Saratoga chips, biscuits, coffee, ice cream and cake were served. The party was one of the regular night parties of the Sewing Club and Mrs. Drace had a number of guests in addition to the members of the Club.

A House Party

Miss Juanita Dinsmore gave a party for a few of her friends at the end of last week. They were there Saturday and Sunday. On Sunday, Bob White and George Chapman started out early got there for breakfast and remained for dinner. The guests Saturday and Sunday were Misses Martha Payne, Katherine Kingsbury, Mary Coleman and John Kingsbury of Fayette.

Week of Prayer.

This week was the Interdenominational Home Mission week of prayer and the event was observed here by the Presbyterian and Methodist churches. Commencing Monday, prayer meetings were held each afternoon at the home of Rev. Franc Mitchell, the ladies of the two churches alternating in charge of the meetings.

Highest Scoring Birds

The highest scoring birds at the poultry show was one of the Black Orpingtons belonging to a Mr. McDonald of Moberly, the winner of the sweepstakes scored 95.1-4. The next best bird was a White Leghorn the property of Mrs. J. J. Ewing of near this city. The score was 95, even.

The Coon Club went hunting Wednesday night but report no coons treed. The forces retreated early in the face of a cold and bitter wind.

RESERVE BANK OPENS

Ready for Business at Kansas City—Affairs Progress Satisfactorily.

The fundamental change in our banking system made by the Federal Reserve Act of Congress of December 23, 1913, is of interest to all of our people. For years the great need for an elastic currency had been felt, but it was necessary that the government should provide safeguard against undue expansion or contraction.

This was done by the creation of the Federal Reserve Board with extensive powers over banking institutions. The United States has been divided into twelve districts, which have been apportioned with due regard to the convenience and customary course of business. In each of the twelve districts a federal reserve city has been designated in which a federal reserve bank has been established.

The federal reserve bank in each district is composed of the national banking associations in the district and is required to have a capital stock of at least \$4,000,000. In case the national banks in the district fail to take all of this stock, private individuals and the United States may take it, but the stock will have no voting power. The enforcement of the federal reserve law is entrusted to the Federal Reserve Board, consisting of five members appointed by the President of the United States, in addition to the Secretary of the Treasury and the Comptroller of the Currency, who are ex officio members of the board. The Board has its office in Washington, D. C. Two members of the board are required to be experienced bankers. Ten years is the term of office in Washington, D. C. Two members of the board are required to be experienced bankers. Ten years is the term of office, and every two years the term of one member expires. The salary is \$12,000 a year.

Assisting the Federal Reserve Board is an advisory council, composed of members selected by the reserve banks of the twelve districts.

The activities of the federal reserve banks are those of usual banking institutions. To give our currency system elasticity it has the power to issue federal reserve bank notes.

It is only in the discretion of Federal Reserve Board that the federal reserve banks may issue these. They are redeemable in gold at the United States Treasury in the city of Washington, D. C. For the security of the holders of these notes collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve agent for the district. Also, a reserve in gold of forty per cent must be maintained to protect the federal reserve notes outstanding. Provision is made for the automatic retirement of these notes.

The federal reserve banks have authority to issue circulating notes secured by deposit of two per cent government bonds.

The financial situation during the past year or two has been high strung, and it has been the part of wisdom to proceed cautiously in adopting the radical changes brought about by the law. The sudden and unexpected advent of the European war, with its consequent destruction of foreign trade and commerce, has served to place a greater strain upon this country. Already the Federal Reserve Board has shown its readiness to act.

proval of the plan to raise a \$1,000,000,000 gold pool to maintain our credit abroad. With the closing of the stock exchange there was no way of assembling the financial resources of the country, and the carrying out the gold pool plan will doubtless relieve us from embarrassment.

The 12 reserve banks were opened Tuesday with a capital of \$106,705,500 and the release of \$464,000,000 which has been tied up pending the opening, was immediate. The best authorities in this country believe that this new system will prevent monetary troubles such as permitted panics, Jas. A. Reed to the contrary notwithstanding.

Probate Court News.

The inheritance tax in the W. W. Johnson estate was reduced from \$63 to \$3.52. In the estate was a balance \$2142.29. The estate shows that an advance of \$936 had been made Mary Johnson and the court ordered the following distribution: Mary Johnson, \$135.14; A. Porter \$178.52 and the same amount as above to J. Tooley, D. and M. Nichols, S. Cooper and R. Parks.

The wards, minors, Chester and Laura Abrams were given the sums of \$98.69 and \$174.89, respectively.

The second annual installment of the Mary-C. Richardson estate shows a balance of \$750, which is to be distributed according to the will.

The assets in the Mary Speiser estate were found to be \$6000 in the form of a promissory note which was ordered distributed.

Mrs. L. E. Cook files a report that her husband's estate after debts were paid is \$1264.29. She is sole beneficiary and received that amount.

The guardian in the J. Klein estate is ordered to sell for support of wards, e h f se 6-56-17

The guardian of C. West is discharged after paying to said ward, \$280.07, amount due.

The will of the late Alexander Roy of Hamden is filed and probated. It was drawn Oct. 24, 1914. John Bayne was appointed executor but refused to qualify and the widow was made administratrix. The will gives her dower and a good living from the property left during her life. On death of widow, estate goes to James Roy, after he has paid \$400 each to the following persons: Vinc Pirnie, Clara Parks, John, Abner, Albert, David, Agnes and Finley Roy.

Going Some

Good report have been coming from St. Louis relative to the work of Shannon Wayland as salesman for the Curlee Clothing Co. The official report for the week ending Nov. 9, shows that Wayland stood sixth in a list of 26 salesmen for sales of all kinds of clothing. He ranked high as third in some lines and as low a ninth in others. His average sales put him in sixth place. He is the youngest of the salesmen of the firm employing him.

Collins-Riley

The marriage of Frank D. Collins of Little Rock, Ark., and Miss S. Elizabeth Riley, of Columbia, Mo., occurred the afternoon of Monday, November 16, at the office of Judge H. C. Minter. Mr. and Mrs. Collins remained here until Tuesday morning when they left for their future residence.

Reception for Guests.

Mrs. R. W. Rucker and Mrs. C. C. Parks gave a reception at the Parks home Thursday evening for Mrs. Rucker's guests, Mrs. Henry West of Brookfield and Mrs. Lamb of Salisbury.

POULTRY SHOW CLOSSES

Awards Made to 52 Persons and Distributed Among 406 Entries.

Starting out just right, the first annual poultry show of the Chariton County Poultry Association wound up its exhibit in the afternoon of Saturday with a credit on the ledger, financially, and the name of having put on a fine show.

The first meet comes out ahead of the game financially with all expenses paid and next year, if the association decides to charge a nominal admission fee of ten cents, the finances will be better than ever. As for the exhibit there was no complaint to make regarding either numbers or qualities of birds shown. There were 52 exhibitors in all, 406 entries, 42 pens entered and the turkey list was the largest to be seen in this vicinity for a long time, there being 32 turkeys of different kinds doing their best for the ribbons. The officers were pleased and so were those who attended. The catalogues were issued a little late but the entries showed that this did not affect the showing. The officers were assisted materially by the local Commercial Club and its officers, especially Milt Bennett who was indefatigable in his labors to help make the movement a success. All officers were on the job and the local as well as outside members spent much time and energy in making things go right.

The list of premiums issued by the judge to exhibitors is as follows:

Barred Rocks:—J. W. Taylor, 2 ckl, 2 pul, and special; M. L. Stamper Clifton Hill, 3 ckl, 1, 3 pul, 1 pen, and special; Mrs. Ed. Williams 1 ckl; Mrs. Wm. Heiman, Shandonale, 1 ckl, 1, 2, 3 hen, 2, 3 pen, State special and Herring Pharmacy special for best display.

White Rocks:—Holmes & Ehrhardt, Salisbury, 1 ckl, 1, 2 ckl, 1, 2, 3 pul, 1 pen, specials, best pullet, best pen, best cock, best ck, hen, ckl, and pul, in class; E. P. Stamper, 2, 3 hen; Mrs. J. Goll, Dalton, 1 hen, 2 ck.

Partridge Rocks:—N. B. Webster, 1, 2, 3 hen, 1, 2 ckl, 1, 2, 3 pul, 1, 2 pen, special.

White Wyandotts:—George Dewey 1 ckl, 1, 2, 3 hen, 1 pul, 1 pen and State special for best display of Wyandotts.

S. C. R. I. Reds:—Callie Halliburton, Moberly, 1 ckl, 1 hen 1, 2 ckl, 2, 3 pul, 1 pen, special best display Amer. class, State special for best display R. I. Reds; Bert Worsham, 1 pul, 3 ckl, 2 pen, 2 display American class, special.

R. C. R. I. Reds:—All to Mrs. Ed Courtney.

Black Orpingtons:—All to L. P. McDonald, Moberly, State special, best display of Orpingtons, special highest scoring pul and ckl in show, special best ck, hen, ckl and pul in show, special largest entry outside of county, special highest scoring bird in show, special largest chicken, in show.

Buff Orpingtons:—Mrs. Lou Hershey, 1 ckl, 2 pen; Mrs. Wm Tudor, Salisbury, 1, 2, 3 pul, 1 ck, 1 hen, 1 pen.

S. C. Mottled Anconas:—All to J. C. Christian, Renick, special for exhibitor coming greatest distance to our show, special for oldest exhibitor in our show.

S. S. Hamburgs:—All to J. P. Burns.

Blue Andalusians:—Mrs. C. D. Turner, 1 ckl, 1 pul; C. F. Lamkin, 1 ck, 1 hen, 2, 3 pul, 1 pen, special best pen.

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Bantams:—All to H. M. Sigloch, special best pair, best pen, best display.

Frizzles:—Wm Cousins, 1 ckl, 1 pul; Rilla Cooper, 1 ck, 1, 2, 3 hen, 2, 3 pul, 1 pen, special best pen.

Capons:—All to L. Schupbeek, Dalton, special largest entry.

H. O. Meek special for oddest freak chicken.

Richard White special for youngest exhibitor.

M. B. Turkeys:—All to Mrs. Lee Cuddy.

White Holland Turkeys:—Mrs. J. J. Ewing 2 pair; Mrs. Geo. Dewey 3 pr; Mrs. J. Goll Dalton, 1 pr, special for largest turkey any variety in show.

Bourbon Red Turkeys:—All to Mrs. A. G. Friesz.

Narragansett Turkeys:—All to Mrs. Lee Cuddy, special for best display of turkeys.

S. C. White Orpingtons:—M. Bennett, 2, 3 ckl, 2 pul; H. O. Meek, Brunswick, 1 ckl, 1, 3 pul.

Light Brahmas:—All to Adolph Enderle Salisbury.

Partridge Cochins:—All to Mrs. H. O. Friesz.

Black Lanshans:—Uriah Mason, 1 ckl, 1, 3 pul, 2 pen; Herbert Perry Brunswick, 2, 3 ckl; H. C. Steiman, Dalton, 1 ck, 1, 2, 3, hen, 2 pul, 1, 3 pen, special best pen, special best Lanshan in show, State special best display of Lanshans, best display Asiatic class.

S. C. Brown Leghorns:—H. T. Phelps, Salisbury, 1 ck, 1, 3 ckl, 1, 2 hen, 2 pul, 1 pen, best display in Mediterranean, State special best display in Mediterranean class, special best S. C. Brown in the show, special best pen; W. W. Daily, Brunswick, 2 ckl, 2 ck, 3 pen, 2 display in Mediterranean class, special largest entry in show; Mrs. Ed. Williams, 1, 3 pul, 2 pen, special best pullet.

S. C. White Leghorns:—Mrs. Geo. Dewey, 2 ck, 1, 2, 3 hen, 1st pen, special silver cup highest scoring pen in show, special 10 highest scoring bird in show room by exhibitor making her first exhibit at a poultry show, special for exhibitor, exhibiting greatest number of different varieties in show, special for lady making largest entry in our show, special best display of White Leghorns; W. H. May, Mendon 2 pul; Mrs. J. J. Ewing, 1, 3 pul, 3 pen, special best pullet; Mrs. John Grisham, Salisbury, 3 ck; L. M. McCabe Moberly, 1 ck, 1, 3 ckl, 3 pen; C. L. White, 2 ckl, special most perfect shaped bird in show.

S. C. Buff Leghorns:—All to Raymond Voss, special best display and best pen.

India Runner Ducks:—C. L. White 2 pr; Mrs. Geo. Dewey 1 pr, special for highest scoring drake, special best pair; Mrs. Ed Williams 3 pair.

White Pekin Ducks:—Mrs. Ed Williams 1 pair, special best pair.

Mallard Ducks:—Mrs. Walter Herring, special best pair.

Toulouse Geese:—Mrs. George Dewey 1 pr, special best pair.

Pigeons:—Child Bros., special best display.

Eggs:—Mrs. Kate Dewey special best doz. brown eggs; Mrs. Geo. Dewey special best doz. eggs any variety.

S. C. Black Minorcas:—All to John Drew.

A Slumber Party

Miss Evelyn Wells of Shandonale had a few friends at her home Tuesday evening to spend the night and next day. Those who went from this place were Misses Loren Hohman, Julia Bass Allega and Virginia Hort.

Miss Anna Rucker was in Kansas City on business Monday.